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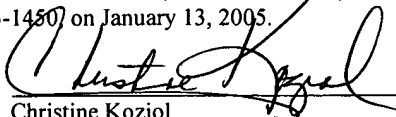
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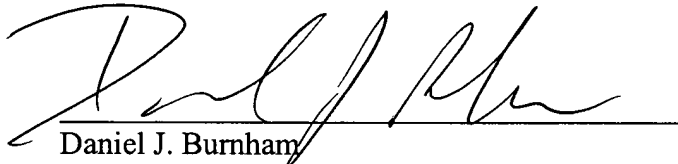
It is hereby certified that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in the European Search Report submitted herewith, which was mailed in the counterpart European Patent Application No. 04 18660.7.

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Respectfully submitted,

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